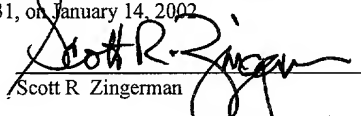


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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

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IDENTIFICATION TAGS FOR OIL DRILL STRINGS

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6. ☐ Incorporation by Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked). The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
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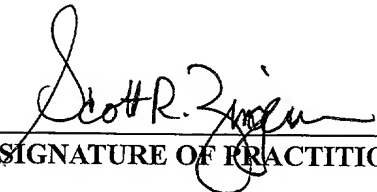
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